

Remarks

Applicant notes the Examiner's Office Action with respect to claims 1-24.

Applicant filed this application with a preliminary amendment canceling claims 1-24 and adding in their place claims 25-58. Applicant disagrees with the Examiner's rejection but submits that the Examiner's rejection is moot and will therefore not remark further. Applicant submits that claims 25-58 which are pending in the application are patentable over the prior art at least for the reasons identified in the preliminary amendment filed with the application, and respectfully requests issuance of a Notice of Allowability.

If any petition for extension of time is necessary to accompany this communication, please consider this paper a petition for such an extension of time, and apply the appropriate extension of time fee to Deposit Account 23-3000. If any other charges or credits are necessary to complete this communication, please apply them to Deposit Account 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,

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